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MUNICH, 22 AUGUST (DPA/ GND)- WESTERN TOURISM ACROSS THE BAVARIAN BORDER TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA END SLOWED TO A TRICKLE LATE WEDNESDAY, BAVARIAN INTERIOR MINISTRY ANNOUNCED.

CITIZENS OF WESTERN COUNTRIES WERE BEING PROCESSED BY THE CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER AUTHORITIES IF THEY HAD VALID CZECHOSLOVAK VISAS, THE MINISTRY SAID.

THE MINISTRY SAID, HOWEVER, THAT CZECHOSLOVAK BORDER AUTHORITIES WERE ADVISING ALL WESTERN TRAVELLERS NOT RPT NOT TO ENTER THE COUNTRY IN VIEW OF THE EXISTING SITUATION.

DURING THE AFTERNOON ONLY FIVE WEST GERMANS CROSSED INTO CZECHOSLOVAKIA, THE MINISTRY SAID, USING THE ROAD CROSSING POINTS WAIDHAUS AND FURTH IM WALD. THE ROAD CROSSING POINT OF SCHIRNDING WAS CLOSED TO ALL WESTERN TRAFFIC, HEADED FOR CZECHOSLOVAKIA.

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